



A New York independent commission approved a new congressional map and sent it to the state's legislature for passage, potentially giving an edge to Democrats as the parties jockey for control of the U.S. House of Representatives in November.

The New York commission's new map is slightly advantageous to Democrats but not overwhelmingly so, according to experts. The lines appear to boost Democratic chances of ousting one first-term Republican while making two other districts - one held by Democrats and one by Republicans - safer for the incumbents. Republicans' narrow majority in the chamber will be 219-213 when Democrat Tom Suozzi is sworn in in the weeks ahead following his [Tuesday night election win](#). Every U.S. state must redraw congressional districts after the decennial census, which also determines how many seats each state is apportioned. New York lost a seat in the 2020 count.

In 2022, a judge [jettisoned the map New York had drawn](#) and put in place a more politically competitive one. Partly as a result, Republicans flipped four Democratic seats, almost single-handedly giving the party its majority in the House.

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